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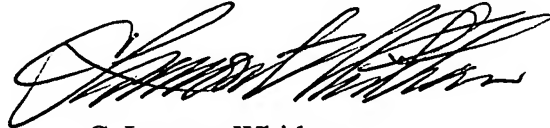
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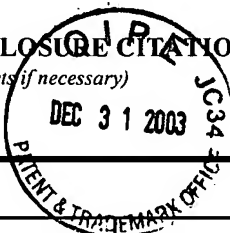
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	1	European Search Report dated November 13, 2003
	2	Article from Optics Communications dated June 15, 1998. " Wave propagation in one-dimensional photonic crystals" D. Felbacq et al.

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